Office of State Budget and Management Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions

(G.S. 143-34.1)

Division: State Highway Patrol Agency: Crime Control and Public Safety

Budget Code: 24960 Center Title: MCSAP / ITS TECHNICIAN Center Number: 2681696

*** Position Information ***

Proposed Salary Grade: 63 Proposed Classification: Computer Support Technician II

Proposed Effective Date: 12 / 01 / 05 Salary Range: <u>\$25,886-\$38,297</u>

Number of Positions: 2

	Center Authorized Budget	Current Request
Total Budget (Projected 06-07 Federal FY) Receipts	<u>\$5,354,820</u>	<u>\$</u>
	<u>\$5,354,820</u>	<u>\$</u>
(Projected 06-07 Federal FY) Appropriation	\$ 0	\$ 0

Funding Source(s): 80% Federal Funding - U.S.D.O.T. / FMCSA 20% State N.C.D.O.T

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

The MCSAP mission requires the priority of I/T staff to meet the needs of timely upload, storage, query, and archive of MCSAP data. MCSAP technicians are responsible for the upgrade of all MCSAP related hardware and software. This requires two fulltime technicians on hand to meet these mandatory time requirements. Currently all MCSAP software updates are deployed on a time limited bases. All updates must be done within a time frame that is set by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

This requirement cannot be met with the current staffing of the Highway Patrol Technical Services Unit. Hardware is updated on a life cycle basis and is required to be deployed by these MCSAP technicians. SafetyNet database currently is the depository of all inspection citations and crash data. This database is used by the cash office to collect citations, query crash data, and ensure information is correct before uploading the data to VOLPE. This requires a full time technician to ensure the health of the server and the stored data. This technician is also responsible for updates, patches and backups of the server and the database.

Auditors in the field that oversee the citation and data collection processes are required to have hands-on support with high priority. These auditors must be able to function without delay or failed equipment; therefore, a technician must be available in the event an auditor is unable to collect data. Frequent updates to the auditor's hardware and software must be timely and performed in a manner to support MCSAP deadlines. Technicians must also be available to support day-to-day operations for Administrative staff, field personnel and auditors, as Federal funding amounts depend partly on the timeliness of uploads and reporting of certain reports and citations. Without timely I/T support, delays in reporting could result in reduced funding from FMCSA.

These services are currently provided by a contract company and funded from the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Grant; therefore, <u>no</u> additional funds will be needed to support the creation of two (2) permanent full-time positions.

Statutory Reference for Request: S.L. 2005-276, § 6.7(a)

Major W. J. Wilson, Jr.

Presentation to be made by

Administrative Services - Director
Title

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Office of State Budget and Management Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions (G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: Crime Control and Public Safety

Division: State Highway Patrol

Budget Code: 24960 Center Title: MCSAP / LAW ENFORCEMENT TROOPERS Center Number: 2681696

*** Position Information ***

Proposed Classification: MCSAP Trooper Proposed Salary Grade: 68

Salary Range: \$36,293 - \$49,933 Proposed Effective Date: 12 / 01 / 05

Number of Positions: <u>14</u>

	Center Authorized Budget	Current Request
Total Budget (Projected 06-07 Federal FY) Receipts (Projected 06-07 Federal FY) Appropriation	<u>\$5,354,820</u>	<u>\$</u>
	<u>\$5,354,820</u>	<u>\$</u>
	\$ 0	\$ 0

Funding Source(s): 80% Federal Funding - U.S.D.O.T. / FMCSA, 20% State N.C.D.O.T

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

In 1982, the United States Congress passed legislation through the Surface Transportation Assistance Act to provide States with Federal Grant Funding to enhance the enforcement programs of highway safety for commercial motor vehicles and drivers. This funding is governed through CFR 49 Part 350 and 355.

In 1983, the Governor of North Carolina designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles Enforcement Section as the lead State agency for the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP). NC DMV Enforcement Section was charged with the responsibility of developing, administering, implementing, and committing personnel to enforce the State's Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP). From 1983 to 1987, twelve members of the North Carolina Utilities Commission were reallocated to NC DMV Enforcement with the duties of performing field activities for the MCSAP. Gradually, additional activities and resources (53 law enforcement and 5 civilian positions) were dedicated in the expansion of the program. Program enhancements have sufficed to promote a safer highway environment for the trucking industry as well as for the motoring public. By legislative order, the above duties were transferred to the North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, North Carolina State Highway Patrol/ Motor Carrier Enforcement Section (NCSHP/MCES).

North Carolina's total vehicle registrations are approximately 7.9 million and the number of licensed drivers is approximately 6.1 million. Enormous resources have been dedicated toward providing North Carolina taxpayers, as well as the motoring public with the largest state-maintained highway system in the nation. Currently, North Carolina maintains in excess of 99,000 miles of public roads inclusive of urban streets and highways. The NCSHP/MCES is responsible for Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) enforcement in all 100 counties statewide with the MCSAP grant funding salaries for 53 Enforcement Officers and five civilian personnel. With the ever growing number of CMV's traveling the highways through North Carolina, an increase in personnel dedicated to the driver/vehicle inspection program will provide the state with enforcement activities to ensure safety for the public.

Since the inception of the MCSAP and continuing through to the present, considerable emphasis has been placed on the commercial vehicle driver/vehicle inspection program and other enforcement programs to reduce the frequency and severity of CMV crashes. Collateral programs have been implemented to underscore inspection activities including re-inspection verification, carrier audits and compliance reviews, covert inspection activities, traffic enforcement initiatives, and border checkpoints with adjoining states.

The North Carolina State Highway Patrol (NCSHP) is fully committed to the safe passage of the motoring public and the commercial trucking industry. Most importantly, the NCSHP/MCES recognizes the long-term benefits of a strong, effective MCSAP program both nationally as well as statewide to mitigate the serious crash problem. The State commits to enhancing its core MCSAP program of driver and vehicle inspections, traffic enforcement, timely repair of out-of-service vehicles, safety performance data collection, and public awareness in addition to other safety and enforcement initiatives identified by NCSHP/MCE.

The requested positions will support all Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) related issues and will be supported by the Federal Grant for the MCSAP. Currently, there are 53 MCSAP Trooper/Officer positions to cover all of North Carolina's 100 counties. New law enforcement positions have not been added to the MCSAP since 1987. The creation of fourteen (14) new federally funded Trooper positions will provide more coverage of the state and these positions will be placed in areas where the MCSAP Trooper allocations are not adequate for the CMV population. This will compliment the existing number of MCSAP Troopers and provide the citizens of North Carolina with more enforcement of Commercial Motor Vehicle safety regulations and laws.

These positions will be funded from the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Grant and will not create any additional expense to the State.

Statutory Reference for Request: S. L. 2005-276, § 6.7(a)

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Office of State Budget and Management **Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions**

(G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: Crime Control & Public	c Safety	Division: National Guard
Budget Code: 14900 Center T	Title: Air Guard	Center Number: 222
	*** Position Infor	rmation ***
Proposed Classification: Resour	ce Advisor	Proposed Salary Grade: 71
Salary Range : \$32,000 - \$37	,000	Proposed Effective Date: 1 / 1 / 2006
Number of Positions:1	_	
	Center Authorized B	Budget Current Request
Receipts -	\$ 1,680,466.66 1,299,200.00 \$ 381,266.67	\$ 41,000 41,000 \$ 0
Funding Source(s):		

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

The Air National Guard Readiness Center has authorized and funded an employee for the 145th Civil Engineer Squadron, North Carolina Air National Guard as the Resource Advisor for the squadron. Presently there are no employees working in this position. The proposed position will be 100% federally funded and funds will be available 1 October 2005. The position will be utilized as the focal point for all budgetary matters relevant to the State/Federal Agreement as per the position description. Presently no one position is responsible for the day to day execution of this budget.

The proposed position will be utilized for budgetary accountability of all Real Property assets assigned to the North Carolina Air National Guard and will be the liaison between the state and federal government for all matters dealing with the Real Property Maintenance and Repair Budget. This position will be responsible for data input and maintaining the budgetary portion of the Integrated Engineering Management System (IEMS) which is the mandatory program utilized by all Air National Guard Units nationwide. This position will be responsible for all contracts and the day to day billing associated with the state/federal budget. The person selected to fill this position will be responsible for all other budgets that Civil Engineers are responsible for.

Statutory Reference for Request: S. L. 2005-276, § 6.7(a)

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